

## ENTENTE REPLY TO WILSON NOTE WILL BE PUBLISHED IN MONDAY'S PAPERS

MECHANICAL OBSTACLES HAVE  
DELAYED TRANSMISSION OF  
IMPORTANT DOCUMENT.

## ANOTHER AMERICAN MOVE

STILL BELIEVED AT WASHINGTON  
THAT PRESIDENT WILL MAKE  
SECOND EFFORT.

(International News Service.)  
London, Jan. 6.—Mechanical ob-  
stacles have delayed the transmissi-  
on of the entente reply to President  
Wilson's mediation offer, it was learned  
authoritatively today.

The reply, however, will be sent in  
time for its publication in the press  
here on Monday, it is expected.

Public interest on the subject of  
peace has reached a high pitch with  
the preparation of the note.

Great interest is attached here to  
a Washington dispatch to the Times  
stating that President Wilson "has  
not yet made up his mind whether he  
can do anything now to further the  
cause which he has nearest his  
heart."

## WASHINGTON BELIEVES THAT SECOND MOVE IS SURE.

(International News Service.)  
Washington, Jan. 6.—Despite the  
state department announcement that  
President Wilson has no second note  
in contemplation at present, official  
Washington was convinced today that  
the administration is holding in re-  
serve another peace move of great  
importance.

It is understood by neutral diplo-  
mats here that this move will be in-  
formal and that the president will  
work through the American diplomatic  
representatives in the belligerent  
capitals.

It is assured that nothing will be  
done until after the receipt of the  
entente reply to his first note.

The generally accepted theory  
among diplomats and officials here is  
that confidential outlines of the  
terms of both sides in the world war  
will be put in the hands of American  
diplomats in the warring countries.  
With these in their possession they  
could work effectively towards bring-  
ing about mutual concessions in the  
terms.

Great significance is attached here  
to the utterance in the senate yester-  
day of Senator Lewis, of Illinois, to  
the effect that the United States can-  
not long remain out of the war, cou-  
pled with a statement by Senator Stow,  
chairman of the foreign relations  
committee, arrogating to the United  
States the right to interfere to secure  
peace on the basis that it is suffering  
grave injuries at the hands of both  
sides. It is taken to indicate that  
there will be no let up in American  
peace efforts. Both senators are re-  
garded as administration spokesmen.

## TROUP AND NIX END PARTNERSHIP

LAW PRACTICE IN FUTURE WILL  
BE HANDLED BY MR. NIX ALONE.  
TROUP PROBATE JUDGE.

Formal notice of the dissolution of  
the law firm of Troup & Nix was given  
today, owing to the retirement from  
the practice of his profession by Mr.  
Troup, who on January 15 becomes  
probate judge of Morgan county.

Mr. Nix will continue in the prac-  
tice of law, retaining the firm's of-  
fices in the Morgan County National  
Bank building.

The firm is one of the best estab-  
lished in the county and for years has  
enjoyed a lucrative practice. Both  
members were rated among the lead-  
ers of the local bar, observing a high  
ethical standard and giving careful  
attention to their client's interests.

Elmer C. Nix, who succeeds Troup  
& Nix, has had marked success in his  
practice. He has splendid legal abil-  
ity, a valuable experience and in ad-  
dition has a host of friends. He ex-  
pects to retain the firm's present  
clients and to add many others.

## CAMPAIGN AGAINST ROUMANIA ENTERS LAST STAGE TODAY, EXPERTS PREDICT

TEUTONS TO MAKE SUPREME EF-  
FORT TO CRUSH REMAINING  
RESISTANCE.

## CITY OF BRILA IS CAPTURED

RESUMPTION OF FIGHTING ON  
WESTERN FRONT IS REPORT-  
ED TODAY.

(International News Service.)  
Berlin, Jan. 6.—The conquest of  
Roumania entered upon its final stage  
today. A supreme effort to clear all  
the country of its Russian and Rou-  
manian defenders is expected by ex-  
perts to follow the capture of Brila,  
Roumania's greatest commercial city.  
The fall of Brila releases three sea-  
soned armies for the Moldavia cam-  
paign.

The Dubrudjan army of Germans,  
Bulgarians and Turks, the Ninth army  
of Von Mackensen and the Wallachian  
army now are expected to begin oper-  
ations over the Moldavian front which  
is reduced to 70 miles. The next  
great objective of the Germans is  
Galatz, which marks the confluence of  
the Sereth and Danube rivers.

The war office reported a resump-  
tion of fighting on the western front  
today and admitted that the British  
succeeded in penetrating advanced  
German trenches. German troops at  
Verdun made several thrusting at-  
tacks and captured some French pris-  
oners. The war office says that Von  
Mackensen's troops which captured  
Brila are continuing their victorious  
march through Roumania.

## ALLIED WAR VESSELS ARE SHELLING GREEK TOWNS.

(International News Service.)  
Berlin, Jan. 6.—Allied war vessels  
are each day shelling Greek coast  
towns between the Struma and Mtsa  
rivers, it was announced by the war  
office today.

## Enforce the Game Laws, Wallace Says

Special attention to enforcing the  
game laws of Alabama is urged by  
John H. Wallace, state commissioner,  
in a letter being sent out to wardens  
and other officials over the state.  
Mr. Wallace says that at this time of  
the year non-residents come to Ala-  
bama, hunt a few days, then slip out  
and leave the state without having  
complied with the requirement to pay  
the state for this privilege.

It is this class of hunters Mr. Wal-  
lace is after, particularly, but he has  
also instructed his wardens to make  
all residents of the state comply with  
the laws, as it is a protection to game  
to have them have a license before go-  
ing out to shoot birds and other game.

## VILLA DEFEATED DECLARE REPORTS

BANDIT SAID TO HAVE LOST BAT-  
TLE WITH THE CAR-  
RANZISTAS.

(International News Service.)  
El Paso, Jan. 6.—Federal agents  
here were without confirmation today  
of reports issued by Carranza officials  
in Juarez declaring that Villa and  
suffered a disastrous defeat at Jim-  
inez.

The latest advices received by Gen.  
Bell stated that a large force of Vil-  
listas was engaged with the Carran-  
zistas south of Chihuahua City.

## JAPAN DENIES KNOWING OF ARMS SHIPMENT.

(International News Service.)  
Tokio, Jan. 6.—Denial was made by  
the Japanese foreign office today that  
it had any knowledge of the shipment  
of rifles to Mexico, said to have left  
here on the steamer Kotchira Maru  
on Jan. 2. It had been reported that  
the Maru carried 2,500 rifles bought by  
three representatives of the Carranza  
government.

## MOTHER OF EMPEROR AS A NURSE



Archduchess Maria Josepha (right), mother of the new Austrian em-  
peror, and another royal lady, ministering to a wounded Austrian soldier in  
one of the military hospitals. Archduchess Maria Josepha is a tireless work-  
er in behalf of Austria's sick and wounded soldiers. Most of her spare time  
is spent in nursing in the hospitals, directing relief work and officiating at  
various charities for raising funds for the needy.

## GERMAN ARMS WILL ENFORCE PEACE

--KAISER

(International News Service.)  
Amsterdam, Jan. 6.—Kaiser Wilhelm  
in a message to his troops declared  
that with God's help German arms  
would enforce peace which the al-  
lies have rejected. The proclamation  
was printed in the Berlin Army and  
Navy Journal.

It follows: "Co-jointly with the al-  
lied (central powers) rulers, I pro-  
posed to our enemies to enter forth-  
with into peace negotiations. Our en-  
emies refused my offer. Their hun-  
ger for power desires Germany's de-

struction. The war will be con-  
tinued. Before God and humanity, on  
the governments of our enemies alone  
falls the heavy responsibility for all  
the future terrible sacrifices from  
which I wished to save you. With  
justified indignation at our enemies'  
arrogant crime, and with determina-  
tion to defend our holiest possessions  
and secure for the Fatherland a hap-  
py future, you will become as steel.  
Our enemies do not want the under-  
standing offered by me. With God's  
help our arms will enforce it."

## STRIKE BODY BLOW AT COST OF LIVING IS AGAIN CRITICAL

FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD TO  
TAKE HAND BY CONTROLLING  
GOLD SUPPLY.

(International News Service.)  
Washington, Jan. 6.—A body blow  
at the high cost of living will be  
struck if congress adopts the recom-  
mendations of the federal reserve  
board and enacts legislation giving  
the board power to concentrate as  
much of the gold supply as it can get  
hold of in the federal reserve banks.

This is the opinion of some mem-  
bers of the board and of economists.  
The purpose of the board in push-  
ing the new legislation was not pri-  
marily to lower the cost of living, but  
that effect would result, it is stated.  
It is generally admitted that the heavy  
influx of gold is responsible to a large  
degree for the high prices in this  
country. The gold is scattered in the  
banks of the country and in the pocket-  
ets of the people.

## Clerk Pulley Host at Huntsville Dinner

Huntsville, Ala., Jan. 6.—(Special.)  
—Chas. H. Pulley, retiring circuit  
court clerk of Madison county, was  
the host at a banquet Friday night to  
the lawyers and officials of the county  
at the Y. M. C. A. The banquet  
was served by the ladies of the Epis-  
copal church, and was enlivened by  
witty speeches by the diners. Milton  
Lanier was toastmaster and the fol-  
lowing guests were present: Sollici-  
tor D. C. Almon, of Albany, who was  
welcomed back to Madison county  
again; Judge Robert C. Brickell, Ed  
Betts, Judge James Ballewine, Law-  
rence Cooper, Paul Speake, Dave  
Grayson, Judge Arch McDonald, Doug-  
las Taylor, Clarence Watts, Carter  
Rice, Tom Jones, Zack Drake, Judge  
Hawkins and Geo. Cooper.

## Journalists Are Called To Testify About "Leak"

DAILY WANT ADS SCORE  
ANOTHER BIG TRIUMPH.

The Albany-Decatur Daily want  
ads scored another big triumph to-  
day when one little ad succeeded  
in bringing back a pin valued at  
\$150. It was lost by a lady living  
in Albany, Sunday afternoon while  
she was walking to the river along  
Brady street and Riverview av-  
enue. A reward of \$10 was offered.  
The pin was found yesterday by  
Jim James of 1093 Grant street,  
and returned today after the find-  
er saw the ad in the Daily. The  
reward was promptly paid. The  
little want ad thus brought finder  
and loser into communication.

The want ads cost little, but  
they are powerful in getting re-  
sults. Try one.

## ALLIED WAR LORDS MEET AT ROME TO PERFECT PLANS

CONFERENCE BELIEVED ONLY  
FOR PURPOSE OF MUTUAL  
UNDERSTANDING.

(International News Service.)  
Rome, Jan. 6.—While the meet-  
ing here of the entente war min-  
isters was shrouded in strictest  
secrecy, it generally was believed  
today that only measures for closer  
co-operation in the conduct-  
ing of the war were discussed.

Need for such an exchange of  
views was held necessary by the  
many recent changes in the war  
cabinets of the entente powers.

Representing England are Prem-  
ier Lloyd George and Viscount  
Milner. Premier Briand, Minister  
of War Lyntey and Minister of  
National Manufacturers Thomas  
are here in the interest of France.  
Gen. Politizin of the Russian gen-  
eral staff and Italian officials  
comprise the balance of the mem-  
bership.

## E. R. Guy & Company Succeed Old Agency

E. R. Guy & Company today took  
charge of the Lampkin Insurance  
Company, succeeding one of the old-  
est firms in Albany-Decatur. Mr. Guy,  
a son-in-law of the late A. B. Lamp-  
kin, has had active management of  
the business of the Lampkin Insur-  
ance Company for some time, and is  
thoroughly experienced in the realty  
and insurance business. The new  
firm will be incorporated, and will  
have offices in the Oshine Building.  
Further announcements as to the  
company's plans will be made at an  
early date.

## WHITE HOUSE STENOGRAPHER



Charles L. Swem went to Washing-  
ton with the president and straight-  
way leaped into fame as a youthful  
prodigy. He was in his teens then.  
Now he is a husband and father, and  
perhaps a little too dignified to be  
designated a "boy wonder." His re-  
cord of 200 words a minute in short-  
hand and 100 words a minute on the  
typewriter is, however, a performance  
to be proud of at any age. Swem is  
small of stature and so is his wife.

## House Committee Determined to Get at Bottom of Charges of Thos. Lawson. Lansing and Tumulty Will Talk to Probers Also

(International News Service.)

Washington, Jan. 6.—Determined to get to the bottom of the alleged  
information "leak" whereby Wall Street was said to have learned in ad-  
vance that President Wilson had sent the peace note, the house rules com-  
mittee today adopted a resolution to call before the committee all of the  
Washington representatives of the Wall Street Journal and Financial  
American.

The action was taken at the instance  
of Representative Harrison, of Mis-  
sissippi, a member of the committee,  
and it was decided to subpoena be-  
fore the committee John Boyle and  
Henry E. Blank, of the Wall Street  
Journal, Washington bureau, and the  
following of the staff of the Washing-  
ton bureau supplying the Financial  
American: W. A. Crawford, John  
Welsh, Dennis Knorr, Jr., Albert L.  
Geiger, Nelson M. Shepard and A. M.  
Jamieson.

The denial of Otto H. Kahn, of the  
New York firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Co.,  
that he had any knowledge of the  
president's note, was read to the com-  
mittee today. Mr. Kahn notified the  
committee that he would be here Mon-  
day. A communication from Presi-  
dent Noble, of the New York stock ex-  
change, was read to the committee.  
It stated that the records of the stock  
transactions of December 10 to 23  
would be preserved and preserved to  
the committee, except the records of  
the consolidated stock exchange, over  
which Mr. Noble has no control.

The committee today voted to ask  
Bernard Baruch, whose name has  
figured prominently in the hearings  
thus far, to bring with him when he  
appears Monday his broker's commis-  
sion slips and exhibit them to the  
committee. Secretary of State Lan-  
sing and Secretary to the President  
Joseph Tumulty will not be subpoenaed  
to appear before the committee, but it  
was indicated today that they would  
appear and testify voluntarily Mon-  
day or Tuesday. Thos. W. Lawson, of  
Boston, will be before the committee  
Monday.

The mysterious "Mr. Curtis," writ-  
er of the letter which mentioned Sec-  
retary Tumulty's conference with Mr.  
Baruch, and which he sent to Rep-  
resentative Wood as a "tip off," is  
still a mystery, and his whereabouts  
are still unknown.

Tumulty Demands Apology.  
When Secretary Tumulty learned  
that Representative Wood had men-  
tioned his name, he issued a formal  
statement demanding a public  
apology and denying flatly he even  
knew of the president's peace note be-  
fore it was made public.

Secretary Tumulty's statement fol-  
lows:  
"I am very glad to say publicly that  
I did not know of the existence of  
the president's note on peace until the  
newspapers were informed.

"Very frequently the president, who  
knows that I am bombarded by news-  
paper men and others for informa-  
tion saves me embarrassment by  
keeping matters absolutely secret. In  
fact, I have often suggested that this  
be done.

"I have not been at the Biltmore in  
a year; never talked about peace with  
Mr. Baruch before or after the peace  
note was sent, and never lunched with  
him in my life.

"I have met him as I have a great  
many good friends from time to time  
in hotels, at the theatres and else-  
where.

"A president's secretary meets a  
great many people every day, and it  
is very easy for someone to circulate

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## ARCHIBALD ARRIVES TO HEAD CIVIC BODY

## Chattanooga Man Will Lead the Civic Forces of Albany. Pleased With the City

W. W. Archibald, of Chattanooga,  
arrived this morning to become sec-  
retary of the Albany Chamber of Com-  
merce. He was immediately taken on  
a partial tour of the city by W. R.  
Hall, president of the civic organiza-  
tion, and he expressed himself as very  
much pleased with the city. He went  
over a portion of the residence sec-  
tion, after spending several hours in  
the downtown district, meeting the  
business men.

Officials of the organization this  
morning were enthusiastic over the  
coming of Mr. Archibald.

## Cupid Fails to Aid Batting Average in 1916 in Old Morgan

Poor old Cupid failed to do a thing  
to aid his batting average in Morgan  
county in 1916. Like Tyrus Raymond  
Cobb, of baseball fame, he failed to  
keep up his record, for he it known  
that fewer pilot licenses for the matri-  
monial seas were issued here during  
the year just closed than in 1915.

Figures taken from the records of  
the probate court today showed that  
282 licenses were issued in 1916, while  
284 were issued in 1915. The figures  
are not entirely accurate, as some of  
the licenses were returned without  
having been used.

Just how the little sparsely clad god  
of love managed to lower his stand-  
ing during leap year, of course is un-  
explainable, but it either speaks well  
for the girls of Morgan—or it doesn't.  
Take it either way you please.

## RISE OF RIVER IS CAUSING A PANIC

SERIOUS FLOOD CONDITIONS IN  
HOLLAND AND GERMANY ARE  
THREATENED.

(International News Service.)  
Paris, Jan. 6.—The sudden rise of  
the Rhine has brought serious flood  
conditions to both Holland and Ger-  
many, according to dispatches from  
Amsterdam today. The railway be-  
tween Cologne and Dieringhausen has  
been wiped out and the fate of the  
population of the latter city is un-  
known.



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## REDUCED EXCHANGE LIST MAY MEAN DEATH OF MANY EMBRYONIC REPUTATIONS.

The high cost of white paper, resulting as it has in the curtailment of the exchange list of nearly all the newspapers in America, has another side to it than that of enriching the manufacturer while impoverishing the publisher. Many a fair reputation as a writer that is now being carefully nursed is going to wither from lack of that nutrition that is found only in being "quoted."

Only this week, the Louisville Courier-Journal, the mouthpiece of Col. Henry Watterson, notified its exchanges—or some of them—that they were to be dropped from the list. And if there ever was a newspaper that received its advertising gratis from its exchanges, the Courier-Journal is that one. How many of the newspapers readers of the South who have been brought up from the cradle on the brilliancy of Col. Watterson's editorials ever read one? How many of those who dub the Colonel a "superman" ever read a line that he wrote? Not that the Courier-Journal is not widely read, for it is. Its circulation, however, of some 50,000 copies a day goes into few homes, when American homes are taken in the aggregate. The Courier-Journal's reputation has been built by those other countless newspapers and periodicals that have read the Colonel's scintillations and have either re-produced them or have referred to them in terms complimentary.

This is only one shining example. The big reputations of all men of today are newspaper reputations. Usually they are founded on real ability, are deserved and should live. A limited audience would make this impossible but for the universality of the press.

As a business proposition, it is doubtful if any newspaper will profit by cutting its exchanges. This is the newspaper's method of advertising. It is a swapping of favors. It costs but little. It is worth much. So far as the Daily is concerned, it would be slow to drop any exchange from its list that would do it the courtesy of an occasional credit line.

## ALBANY BOARD OF COMMERCE SHOULD GET BEHIND CHANGE OF POSTOFFICE NAME.

Now that the Albany Board of Commerce has employed a paid secretary and is ready to go out and do some effective work for the upbuilding of the city, it has a splendid opportunity of getting away to the right kind of start by using its influence to have the name of the postoffice changed. It is rather embarrassing for the Albany Board of Commerce to have its mail addressed to "New Decatur;" it would be risking inconvenience and delay to have it addressed "Albany." There is but little doubt but that if the right kind of pressure is brought to bear upon the postal authorities at Washington, that the change of name can be effected. At least the department can be induced to rule whether or not it will sanction the change, and to give some definite assurance as to when it may be expected. This would allow business men to have their printing done intelligently and without extra cost, to say the least.

This is not a political question. The appointment of a postmaster is, and as such is entirely without the province or purpose of the Board of Commerce. It would even be a grave impropriety for any official of the Board to endorse any candidate for the office in an official capacity. But for the Board to attempt to have the name of the postoffice changed would be a meritorious move inspired by patriotism and loyalty to the city.

Why not have some action along this line, and that at once?

Tell the news to the suffragists! A woman postmaster has the honor of securing more recruits for the United States army than any other handler of the mails. One little lady over at Wilder, Tenn., has persuaded, induced or otherwise cajoled six stern masculines into joining the regular army. This half a dozen recruits listened to her call of patriotism and consented to enlist for an indefinite number of years at the cost of 30 cents a day. Her eloquence made them accept army beans as a steady diet. Has women's influence declined, or has her efficiency merely increased?

## HUNTSVILLE AND POLITICS.

Judging from recent press dispatches, Klag Politics again sits on the throne in Huntsville, ruling his subjects with an iron rod; retarding the growth of one of North Alabama's most picturesque cities; making enemies of friends and leading to—Divine Providence alone knows what.

The two bright newspapers of our neighbor to the north are representatives of two factions, the one in office and the one out. Each day they are launching their attacks at each other, spouting venom and arousing animosities.

But the newspapers are not to blame. Without attempting to judge the justice of the claims of either side, it does seem to The Daily that Huntsville has well-nigh forgotten the lesson given her during the past few months. Apparently the city again is arrayed against itself on purely factional lines.

Is it not time that they were put aside and in their stead a consolidation of all forces, looking to the upbuilding of the city, should occur? Is it not time that Huntsville should begin to make up the time it is losing fighting in its own camp.

Surrounded by fertile farm lands and big cotton mills, with everything that makes for prosperity at hand, Huntsville wastes the precious hours with bickering over the city administration. One side claims the mayor has been tampering with the police court records, the other claims the mayor is subject to attacks because he has chosen to conduct a rigid law enforcement campaign.

Outsiders, of course, know nothing of the truthfulness of these contradictory charges. But outsiders do think that with a little more display of the get-together spirit, Huntsville people could forget their differences long enough to face the world with a unified front and a unanimous invitation to all to share with them the good things with which the land abounds.

But King Politics is on the throne. And he says no. The great destroyer of harmony, of friendship and sometimes of even life itself, says no.

Is it not an opportune time now, when North Alabama is so prominently in the eyes of the world, for Huntsville to dethrone this monster? Is it not time that she rested from the turmoil that politics has brought the city and the county for more than a year?

Is Huntsville now giving her Chamber of Commerce, so ably led by Secretary Aikens her whole hearted support?

In a spirit of kindness and as a well wisher, The Daily hopes that Huntsville will not again let a political fight lead her to the same condition it faced last June. Politics caused the death of three of its leading citizens, while another is under a death sentence. Should that not be a warning, written in letters of blood, to any community? Should that not be enough to cause Huntsville to stop, look and listen?

## BLAMING THE "CODE."

The staid and serious senate of the United States was entertained last week by Senator Stone, of Missouri, who arose to speak to a question of personal privilege. The alleged "leak" of information regarding the contents of President Wilson's peace note, that so fatly profited speculators who were on the "inside" was under discussion. Senator Stone arose to defend his honor. He read a statement appearing in the Ottumwa (Iowa) Daily Courier, the concluding sentence of which said: "Full trading up to 1 o'clock, December 21, approximately 2,000,000 shares. Of this amount, United States Senator Stone alone contributed 574,900 shares."

Naturally Senator Stone was indignant. He had been caught in a high handed deal, if the statement was true. Not only that, but he was placed before his constituents as a plutocrat. His choleric subsided only when a colleague explained that a typographical error was responsible for the substitution of the words "United States Senator Stone" for "United States Steel." The explanation was accepted and the incident forgotten except for the tell tale pages of the Congressional Record.

Was the explanation correct? The Daily is of the opinion that it was not. Instead of placing the responsibility on the always culpable type, it should have been shunted to some telegraph operator. Nearly all news dispatches are transmitted in code, for convenience and to expedite the handling of news matter on the wires. It is most likely that when the sending operator sent the code abbreviation for United States Steel, that the receiving operator, being only from Iowa, misread the message and transcribed it "United States Senator Stone." The initials of the words are rather similar.

In every office where press matter is handled, there are related humorous incidents of misread code messages. One of these must be charged to the operator at Ottumwa, Iowa.

During the discussion of this incident, Senator Cummins of Iowa, paid a tribute to the editor of the

paper in which the article had appeared that will live long as a frank expression of confidence. He said: "The newspaper in which this article appeared is one of the most reputable publications of which I know. Its editors and its owners are high-minded, honorable men, and they would not intentionally publish a falsehood upon any man. It is certain to me that they have been misled through some agency or correspondent. I say this in their behalf lest it should be thought that this article emanates from a cheap or sensational newspaper."

It is evident that Senator Cummins has a correct idea of the ethics of the newspaper profession. Such frank defense from so competent a source must have brought joy to the editors and owners of the Ottumwa Daily Courier.

The neutral world must admire that spirit of humanitarianism shown by the republican members of the senate who are opposing President Wilson's effort to bring about peace on the ground that it is not a party measure. What has the ending of the war to do with party politics? Must men die in the trenches or succumb to the ravages of disease merely because Woodrow Wilson is a democrat? Shall blood and treasure be poured out to avenge the defeat of Chas. Evans Hughes in the last presidential election. Has America no bigger purpose in asking for peace than to strengthen the fences of the democratic organization? It is about time that the people were sending statesmen to the senate, not petty politicians.

## Cheerfully Recommends Seven Aids

AS THE GREATEST AND MOST WONDERFUL OF BUILDERS AND REGULATORS OF HUMAN BODY AND SYSTEM, HAD TRIED MANY DOCTORS AND MANY MORE MEDICINES AND DIDN'T GET SATISFACTORY RESULTS, HAS NOW TAKEN SIX BOTTLES "SEVEN AIDS" AND FEELS LIKE A NEW WOMAN. SAYS MRS. FANNIE DUFNER. MONEY COULD NOT REPLACE BENEFITS DERIVED FROM USE OF "SEVEN AIDS." SUFFERED FROM VERY BAD RUN DOWN CONDITION, WRECKED NERVOUS SYSTEM, SEVERE COSTIVE TROUBLES AND WEIGHT WAS LESS THAN FOR YEARS. "SEVEN AIDS" RESTORED HER TO HEALTH.

"I have been in a very bad rundown condition—nervous system torn to pieces, also suffered from severe costive troubles, and my weight was less than for years, until I began to use 'SEVEN AIDS,' which was recommended to me by a friend. I had tried many doctors and many more remedies from which I failed to get satisfactory results. I have now taken six bottles of 'SEVEN AIDS' and feel like a new woman," said Mrs. Fannie Dufner, Watertown, Tenn. Mrs. Dufner continued by saying: "I have regained my lost weight, am chuck-full of energy, my nervous system is in fine condition, and I have no costive troubles. I cheerfully recommend this greatest and most wonderful of builders and regulators of the human body and system—'SEVEN AIDS'—to any one who may be a sufferer from similar ailments. Money could not replace the benefits I alone have derived from the use of it. I gladly and voluntarily tell the world what it has done for me that it may reach and benefit others of like ailments of mine."

You can make no mistake in trying a bottle of this wonderful medicine. There is no real substitute for "SEVEN AIDS."

Look for DELAFONTAINE and the INDIAN ARROW on each label.

Sold by Owl Drug Co., Decatur, Ala., and S. M. Thompson, Albany, Ala. (Adv.)

## DISSOLUTION NOTICE.

The partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned in the practice of law has been mutually dissolved, Lovick P. Troup retiring from the firm. All indebtedness due to the firm is payable to Mr. Elmer C. Nix, and all debts due by the firm will be paid by him.

This dissolution effective as of date January 1, 1917.

LOVICK P. TROUP.  
ELMER C. NIX.

In retiring from the practice, I desire to thank the friends and clients of the firm of Troup & Nix for the liberal share of business extended us in the past, and I bespeak for my late partner, Mr. Elmer C. Nix, a continuation of that business as well as the new business arising.

Very respectfully,  
LOVICK P. TROUP.

If you need a clerk, salesman, stenographer or any kind of help, the quickest way is a Daily want ad.

Business or professional cards, from The Daily.

## PETROLEUM IN ALABAMA

(By R. C. Barnard in Birmingham News.)

Now that so much interest is being manifested regarding the discovery and subsequent production of petroleum in our home district, perhaps an article containing data relative to the occurrence, discovery, uses, production and value of petroleum would be acceptable to News readers, especially if I make it general in character, and do not attempt the technical. Also, I will promise to confine myself to a short space in presenting only those items which I consider of general interest.

That information concerning petroleum should, at this time, be sought, and that the interest should be local, is nothing strange. The strange part is that the splendid promises and natural advantages presented throughout Alabama have not in the past induced a more thorough reconnaissance and drilling of the fields. That the search here for oil is largely speculative is not true. Oil is found in the great Appalachian system from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico, and that the area in question produces as much as the balance of the oil fields combined is a matter of government statistics. The oil producing stratum in Alabama is well defined and easily accessible. In all probability it occurs at a comparatively shallow depth, and the intervening rocks can be easily and cheaply drilled. Oil is closely associated with coal, and the same ingredients that formed one went for the formation of the other. Many learned geologists have declared that oil was derived from coal. The carboniferous constituents of coal and petroleum are essentially the same, and were, no doubt, formed at the same geological age. That coal occurs in abundance should be a most encouraging fact. That a few dry wells should be opened, even at the first of the operations, should not be discouraging, for in all of the producing fields many dry wells are drilled every year. The government geological survey report for 1896 showed, by authoritative figures, that the percentage of dry holes in the Southwest district (at that time one of the biggest producers in the United States) of the Appalachian oil field for the year 1895 was 23. Notwithstanding the high percentage of dry wells, many millions of barrels were produced, and the district is still profitably productive.

Oil is struck at different depths, although the producing reservoirs, or rather the reservoirs capable of production, occur in the same geological division, which in the case of coal and oil has been referred to as the Paleozoic age, and, too, to the Carboniferous series. The first big producing well of America, in fact of the world, known as the Drake well, situated at Titusville, Pa., was put down but thirty-three feet. At that depth an excellent supply of oil was reached. Although the well was no gusher at first, nevertheless the oil nearly filled the hole, and the well proved to be a splendid producer. Do not think the first well, even at such an insignificant depth, was all easy going. Drake met with many delays and disappointments, and had he not been a man of tenacious will, with complete faith in his enterprise, no doubt he would have given it up without success. I am almost tempted to give you the story of Drake's primal prospecting for oil. It is very interesting.

The prospectors of today have the advantage of the experience gained by operators in practical work for many years, and in many different fields.

The oil yielding areas occur at different depths, without regard to present configuration of the surface. The numerous upheavals and disturbances in the earth's surface will account for that strange fact. That there is a uniformity in the location of the oil-bearing areas is a fact of scientific proof.

Could like to make this little article more complete, and perhaps in my next will enter more fully into the technical, historical and utilitarian features of petroleum.

## Just In Passing

## THEY'RE KIDDING JOHN.

Attaches and visitors about the court house are certainly kidding John Green, popular deputy circuit court clerk, who will become clerk of the probate court this month, when Lovick P. Troup takes the oath. John used to be a "bear" with a sermon he delivered, while representing a parson of ebony hue.

Now, in his new position, he will actually be legalized to pronounce the marriage vows, so his humorously inclined friends have already dubbed him "Rev." This morning a neatly drawn cartoon, showing him as "Rev." Green marrying his first couple, was laid carefully on his desk. The author—nobody known. But anyway, it seemed the news about that cartoon traveled very rapidly about the courthouse.

## GREAT TIME IN HUNTSVILLE.

"Well they certainly show the visitors one merry time in Huntsville," said Cecil Royer. "I attended a dance over there the other night and it has been a long time since I had so much fun. Both the girls and the boys are very considerate of the visitors and do everything possible to make them enjoy themselves."

## CONFLICTING OPINIONS.

How long should a dance go on? Sometimes they last until 12 o'clock, sometimes until 2, sometimes later. Here's what two people who ought to know say.

"A dance should not last longer than 2 o'clock," says Carlisle Blackwell. "By dancing only until 2, everybody goes home without that tired feeling and is ready for another soon. The time does not drag. Everybody

enjoys every minute and then quit while they are enjoying it."

Then Curtis Gover answers with the following cross-question: "If I was attending a banquet, and, while enjoying myself immensely, but long before I had enough to eat, an earthquake came along and stopped the proceedings, would that do anything toward satisfying my appetite. Same thing in dancing."

## TO MEET THE CITIZENS.

"I want Mr. Archibald, the new secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, to meet all of the citizens as soon as possible," said W. R. Hall, president of the civic organization. "He will reach the city today and I hope that all members of the organization and other citizens, too, will make it a point to make his acquaintance as soon as they can conveniently do so."

## BEATS CALENDAR ADVERTISING

"I believe that match safe advertising is superior to calendar advertising," said E. D. Whitman, of Penney & Whitman, as he presented the Daily with an unusually attractive wall match safe this morning. "The match safe is right there before the eyes of the housewife, if properly placed," said Mr. Whitman, "and serves as a constant reminder of the donor and the business in which he is engaged."

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and for years it was supposed to be incurable. Doctors prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is a constitutional remedy, is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. One Hundred Dollars reward is offered for any case that Hall's Catarrh Cure fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Semi-Annual Statement  
The MORGAN COUNTY  
NATIONAL BANK

ALBANY, ALA.

December 30, 1916

RESOURCES	LIABILITIES
Loans and Discounts.....\$313,042.78	Capital Stock.....\$100,000.00
Overdrafts.....1506	Surplus and Profits.....52,181.27
U. S. Bonds.....50,000.00	Semi-Annual Dividend No. 23.....4,000.00
Alabama Bonds.....5,000.00	Reserved for Interest.....641.81
Fed. Reserve Bank Stock.....3,600.00	Circulation.....50,000.00
Revenue Stamps.....37.26	Deposits.....459,286.01
Building and Fixtures.....23,052.39	
Real Estate.....1,681.50	
Five Per Cent Fund.....2,500.00	
Cash and due from Banks.....267,188.20	
	\$666,119.09
	\$666,119.09

## WANTS

HELP WANTED, REAL ESTATE and HOMES FOR SALE, LOST or FOUND, LOANS ETC. All Want Ads Cash in Advance.

No advertisement taken for less than 25 cents  
25 words, 1 time..... 25c  
25 words, 3 times..... 50c  
25 words, 1 week..... \$1.00  
25 words, 1 mo..... \$3.00  
50 words, 1 time..... 50c  
50 words, 3 times..... \$1.00  
50 words, 1 week..... \$2.00  
50 words, 1 mo..... \$6.00

L. M. Adley and H. L. McCulloch have purchased a short-horn registered Durham bull, which can be seen at McCulloch's bar, Albany, Route 3. 6-3t

We are PREPARED to make desirable FARM LOANS in amounts above \$5,000 in MORGAN, LIMESTONE, and LAWRENCE counties at an average rate of 7%; there are NO COSTS in addition to this rate, such as commission, recording, application or inspection fees. W. A. Bibb & Son, Phone 328, Albany, Ala. 5-6t

\$10.00 REWARD will be paid for the recovery of a heavy gold bar, pin on which was fastened a horseshoe studded with diamonds. The pin was lost Sunday afternoon on either Eighth avenue, east, Grant street or Riverview avenue, between Grant street and the river. Bring the pin to the Daily office or to 907 Eighth avenue, east. 4-3t

\$100.00—To loan in \$500, \$750, \$650 and up to \$10,000 at 7 percent interest on Decatur-Albany and North Alabama farm property for five years, with privilege of renewal. Jan. 4 to 19, J. A. Thornhill. 6-3t

WANTED—Agent to write insurance for the American National Insurance Co., of Galveston, Texas, the giant of the Southwest; good contract now open. Apply at office over Central National Bank, room No. 9. J. M. Thompson, agent. 6-3t

FOR SALE—Ten shares of stock in Central National Bank. Also residence No. 418 Johnson street. W. G. Henry, Jackson, Miss. 6-3t

FOR SALE—New 5-room house, east front; bath and lights, in excellent neighborhood, near school and churches. Price \$1,300; good terms. Thornhill & Hutson. 6-3t

FOR SALE—A good second-hand piano at a bargain. See J. L. Echols. 6-3t

WANTED—Settled colored woman to do general housework, one who wants permanent position. See Mrs. Price at The Tavern of phone Albany 193. 4-3t

MRS. SANDERS' school for little folks will open January 8 at 9 o'clock at her residence, 504 Gordon Drive. Parents wishing to enter pupils are requested to notify Mrs. Sanders as soon as possible. 4-3t

WANTED—To rent, two or three rooms for light housekeeping in or near Decatur. Address Box No. 3, Decatur, Ala. 4-3t

LOST—White fox terrier, about ten months old, marked with large brown spots on head and body, long tail and ears. Return to Barrett Shelton, Albany-Decatur Daily, and collect reward that awaits you on information that leads to return of animal. 30-1t

FOR SALE—Five fresh Jersey cows. Call at 401 Sherman street if you wish to see them. 5-3t

For Steam Heated Flats, Phone 294. 16-1t

FLAT FOR RENT—Seven-room, newly overhauled, modern conveniences. \$8 per month. Call W. B. Edmundson, Phone Albany 124. 13-1t

BARGAINS—I have two 3-acre tracts with new cottages, and also two 5-acre tracts with no improvements, in West Town. Installments. E. H. Allison. 20-1t

SIX PER CENT MONEY on well improved homes; repaid by monthly installments. E. H. Allison. 7-1t

WOOD FOR SALE—Heater or stove wood. Call Wilder Place, 124, New Decatur. M 8-17t

REAL ESTATE OWNERS—Thornhill will loan you any amount for five years at 7%; collect rentals for 4%, write fire and life insurance, and sell your farm or home. Office 601 1/2 Second avenue. 10-1t

Business or professional cards, printed or engraved. The Daily.

A Daily want ad will rent your spare room for you.

## ROSES AND CARNATIONS

"Don't pay the middle man, buy direct"

The City Park  
**GREENHOUSE**  
Telephone 105 Day and Night

C. S. F. L.  
**Chenault & Chenault**  
Phone Decatur 78. Phone New Decatur 4  
Physicians and Surgeons  
501 1-2 2nd Ave., New Decatur, Ala.  
OFFICE PHONE 445

**BICYCLES and REPAIRS**  
Gun and Locksmith  
Knives and Scissors Sharpened  
Keys Fitted. Safe Combinations Changed  
**N. W. GEORGE**  
Phone 483-J 118 Lafayette St

**Jones & Abshire**  
Successors to  
**Jervis Lumber Co.**  
Ready for Business  
Lumber, Building Material, and General Contracting.  
Office Cor. Market & Ferry Sts

**BEAVER BOARD**  
For Better Walls, Ceilings and Partitions  
Why repair, re-finish, remodel or build in the old way when you can get better results with BEAVER BOARD (the genuine) at the same cost or less?  
Get our estimate before going ahead with any work.  
**E. C. PAYNE LUMBER CO.**

Freight Service, Decatur 40  
Lamb's Ferry and Lock Six.  
Boat leaves every Friday 10 a.m.  
DECATUR NAVIGATION CO.  
Phone 225 Decatur.

H. MULLEN  
418 Second Ave.  
Steam and Hot Water Heating.  
Estimates Furnished.  
Phone Albany 327-J.  
Office Phone 64.

**J. L. JULIAN**  
BROKER  
Member N. O. Cotton Exchange  
6-7 K. P. Building Phone 53

**Any Kind of Hauling**  
Done on Short Notice  
**J. S. Walker & Co.**  
Phone Albany 9

**FOR RENT:**  
5-room cottage, 201 3rd St., West.  
5-room house, 1206 3rd Ave., South.  
5-room house, 1210 3rd Ave., South.  
6-room cottage, 720 2nd Ave.  
Money to loan on good security.

**CAIN & WOLCOTT**  
REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE  
JOHNSTON STREET  
Phones 40 and 642.

**7 PER CENT MONEY TO LOAN**

\$25,000 on first class improved business or residence property in the city of Albany, for term of years with easy payments; money is ready on approved title. Phone 274. W. J. Nesbit, Decatur, Ala. 1-6t

## Highest Cash Prices

PAID FOR

## Furs and Hides

Southern Hide &amp; Tallow Company



## ARE YOU GUILTY?

A FARMER carrying an express package from a big mail-order house was accosted by a local dealer:

"Why didn't you buy that bill of goods from me?—I could have saved you the express, and besides you would have been patronizing a home store, which helps pay the taxes and builds up this locality."

The farmer looked at the merchant a moment and then said:

"Why don't you patronize your home paper and advertise? I read it and didn't know that you had the stuff I have here."

MORAL—ADVERTISE

## Most Eminent Medical Authorities Endorse It.

Dr. Eberle and Dr. Braithwaite as well as Dr. Simon—all distinguished authors—agree that whatever may be the disease, the urine seldom fails in furnishing us with a clue to the principles upon which it is to be treated, and accurate knowledge concerning the nature of disease can thus be obtained. If backache, scalding urine or frequent urination bother or distress you, or if uric acid in the blood has caused rheumatism, gout or sciatica or you suspect kidney or bladder trouble just write Dr. Pierce at the Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N.Y.; send a sample of urine and describe symptoms. You will receive free medical advice after Dr. Pierce's chemist has examined the urine—this will be carefully done without charge, and you will be under no obligation. Dr. Pierce during many years of experimentation has discovered a new remedy which he finds is thirty-seven times more powerful than lithia in removing uric acid from the system. If you are suffering from backache or the pains of rheumatism, go to your best druggist and ask for a 50-cent box of "AMERIC" put up by Dr. Pierce. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription for weak women and Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery for the blood have been favorably known for the past forty years and more. They are standard remedies to-day—as well as Doctor Pierce's Pleasant Pellets for the liver and bowels. You can get a sample of any one of these remedies by writing Dr. Pierce.

Doctor Pierce's Pellets are unequalled as a Liver Pill. One tiny, sugar-coated Pellet a Dose. Cure Sick Headache, Bilious Headache, Dizziness, Constipation, Indigestion, Bilious Attacks, and all derangements of the Liver, Stomach and Bowels.

NOTICE.  
APPLICATION TO PROBATE WILL.  
The State of Alabama,  
Morgan County,  
In Probate Court, December Term,  
1916.

In the matter of the estate of J. J. Rose, Deceased.  
Whereas, Mrs. Sallie B. Rose has this day produced in said Court an instrument of writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of J. J. Rose, and therewith filed her petition in under oath, praying that said instrument of writing be admitted to probate and record as the last will and testament of said J. J. Rose, deceased.

And it is ordered by the Court that the 29th day of January, 1917, be set as the day on which to hear testimony in proof of the due execution of said purported will and testament of said deceased; and notice of the filing of said petition and the day above set for the hearing and consideration of the said petition, is hereby ordered to be given by publication, once a week for three consecutive weeks, in the Albany-Decatur Daily, a newspaper published in county of Morgan and state of Alabama, to Mr. Tom A. Rose, Cisco, Texas; Jack Thompson, Dallas, Texas; Charles S. Grissom and Sam Grissom, residence unknown; George Rose and Fletcher Rose, Beaumont, Texas; Mrs. Bena Chisholm, Junction, Texas; Mrs. Lillian Thrall, Indianapolis, Ind., and all other parties in interest, to be and appear before this court on said 29th day of January, 1917, then and there to show cause if anything they have to allege why said instrument of writing should not be admitted to probate and record as the true last will and testament of J. J. Rose, deceased.

WM. E. SKEGGS,  
Judge of Probate,  
D 30 J 6-13-20 Morgan Co., Ala.

Old Papers for Sale at Daily office.

## PERSONALS

Oscar G. Chenault, of Albany, attended the regular term of circuit court at Cullman.

Alan Jemison, of Huntsville, was a visitor at the dance at the Colonial club last night.

Prof. A. B. Murphy, of Falkville, was a business visitor here today.

Willis Garth of Huntsville, attended the dance at the Colonial club last night.

B. L. Malone, a prince among whole-soul good fellows and one of the liveliest wires in the promotion of Albany, was in the city Tuesday and honored our office with a highly appreciated visit. —Cullman Tribune.

R. F. Stephenson left this morning for Columbus, Miss.

Jno. Snodgrass went to Nashville this morning.

G. T. Gunter and daughter, Miss Louise, of Denver, Colo., arrived today to visit Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Gunter.

J. Block is in Cincinnati visiting relatives. He is expected home on Tuesday.

The Butcher's Mistake.  
Mary bought a little lamb—  
Or that was her belief,  
Until her ma told her later  
The man had sold her beef.

Talented Assistant.  
"Now, that was what I call realism in the stage. The villain's death rattle was positively blood curdling."  
"True, but don't give the villain credit for it. That noise was made in the wings by a versatile stage hand."

STATE OF ALABAMA,  
MORGAN COUNTY.  
Whereas the undersigned, Frank G. Cook, and Mrs. Area V. Cook, are the holders of all the capital stock of the Cook Bros. Furniture Co., a corporation, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Alabama, and,

Whereas the said corporation was organized in the County of Morgan, in the State of Alabama, and,

Whereas the principal place of business of said corporation is in the City of Albany, (formerly New Decatur), Alabama, and,

Whereas the Frank G. Cook, and the said Mrs. Area V. Cook, are each desirous of dissolving this corporation, and,

Whereas the said Frank G. Cook, and Mrs. Area V. Cook, as such stockholders, have entered into this agreement to dissolve said corporation,

Therefore, we, the said Frank G. Cook, and Mrs. Area V. Cook, who hold all the capital stock of the said Cook Bros. Furniture Co., which is now outstanding, in order to carry out our desire and agreement to dissolve said corporation, do hereby agree that the said corporation, to-wit: The said Cook Bros. Furniture Co., shall be dissolved.

Dated this 29th day of Dec., 1916.  
FRANK G. COOK, Stockholder.  
MRS. AREA V. COOK, Stockholder

STATE OF ALABAMA,  
MORGAN COUNTY.  
I, Clyde Hendrix, a Notary Public, in and for said County and State, do hereby certify that Frank G. Cook, whose name is signed to the foregoing agreement to dissolve the Cook Bros. Furniture Co., a corporation, and who is known to me to be president of said corporation, acknowledged before me, on this day, that he is the president of said corporation, and that he being informed of the contents of said agreement, executed the same voluntarily, on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand this the 29th day of December, 1916.  
CLYDE HENDRIX,  
Notary Public.

STATE OF ALABAMA,  
MORGAN COUNTY.  
I, William E. Skeggs, Judge of Probate, in and for said County and State, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing agreement to dissolve the Cook Bros. Furniture Co., a corporation, was on this the 29th day of December, 1916, filed in the office of the Judge of Probate of Morgan County, Alabama.

Dated this 29th day of Dec., 1916.  
WM. E. SKEGGS,  
Judge of Probate.  
D 30 J 6-13-20

## FOR SALE

Ear Corn  
Shelled Corn  
Oats and Shucks  
ANY QUANTITY  
Lyle-Taylor Grain Co.  
Phone 194 Decatur

# SOCIETY

Margaret Clinton Shelton Phone 386w

## MASQUERADE TACKY PARTY.

"Did you go last night?" followed by a hearty laugh, was on the lips of everybody this morning. The most unusual display of taste ever, was on the Colonial ball room floor last night from appearance of Miss Brooxie Gibson—all bound round in red—and Milton Lipscomb, the stuffed military man, who led the grand march, to Margaret Penick, whose "get-up" was a scream, and took the prize, and Ellis Loveless, a cross between Corra Harris' Circuit Rider and a dude, who was awarded the gentlemen's trophy. Sandwiches were served during the intermission. We'll have to hand it to those in charge of this entertainment, for it was certainly unique and delightful.

## MR. AND MRS. H. R. DAVIS BRIDGE HOSTS.

Last evening Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Davis entertained at bridge. Three tables were arranged in the living room, and Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Borton, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Baird, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Davis, Miss Schechter, Messrs. W. R. Johnson, R. F. Stephenson, Jno. Snodgrass played the enjoyable game. Mrs. L. W. Borton made the top score and was presented a pretty souvenir. Afterward a salad course was served.

## SMUDGE SUPPER.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Borton entertained Thursday evening with a smudge supper. Pretty Christmas decorations brightened the interior of this home. The well appointed table was centered by an attractive basket of fruit. Those enjoying this function were Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Baird, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Parker, Misses Schechter, Parker, Wood, Graber, Hicks, Williamson, Messrs. Merriweather, R. R. Stephenson, W. R. Johnson, R. C. Leib, Jno. Snodgrass and Mrs. Millice, of Ohio.

## JUNIOR MISSIONARY SOCIETY, CENTRAL M. E. CHURCH.

The Junior Missionary Society of the Central M. E. church will meet Sunday afternoon at the church at 2 o'clock.

Mrs. W. A. Curry left this morning for York, Ala., called by the illness of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McKnight.

## FLAGLER HEIRESS TO WED



Miss Louise Wise, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Wise of Wilmington, N. C., have announced her engagement to Lawrence Lewis of Cincinnati and White Sulphur Springs, W. Va. Miss Wise is a niece of Mrs. R. W. Bingham, who was Mrs. Henry M. Flagler, and is to inherit the bulk of the Flagler fortune.

What You Are.  
Now, therefore, see that no day passes in which you do not make yourself a somewhat better creature, and in order to do that find out first what you are now. Do not think vaguely about it; take pen and paper and write down as accurate a description of yourself as you can, with the date to it. If you dare not do so find out why you dare not. I do not doubt but that the mind is a less pleasant thing to look at than the face, and for that very reason it needs more looking at; so always have two mirrors on your toilet table, and see that with proper care you dress body and mind before them daily. After the dressing is once over for the day, think no more of it. I don't want to carry about a mental pocketcomb; only to be smooth-brained always in the morning. —Ruskin.

## CLUB CALENDAR.

Ladies' Aid of Westminster church, at 3 o'clock—Mrs. Gran.  
Missionary Society, Central M. E. church—Mrs. Alex. Humphrey.

Evening Bridge—Mrs. J. H. Donald, Wednesday.  
The Berean club will celebrate President's Day—Mrs. W. A. Brown.

Cotaco Literary—Mrs. J. J. Hutton.  
Married Ladies' Bridge—Mrs. Jno. Knight.

Thursday.  
U. D. C.—Miss Jennie Davidson.

Friday.  
Auction Bridge—

Saturday.  
Silk Stocking club—

Miss Caroline Pigue, of Hartselle, is the guest of Mrs. R. B. White.

Miss Polly Robinson will leave Tuesday for Henderson, N. C., where she is attending school.

## OYSTER SUPPER FOR BENEFIT OF EASTERN STAR.

The ladies of the Order of the Eastern Star will give an oyster supper for the benefit of the children of the Masonic Home, at the Pride building on Second avenue, on next Thursday, Jan. 11, beginning at 4 o'clock.

## Journalists Are Called To Testify About "Leak"

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rumors, based, as Mr. Wood says, "solely on hearsay."

"I think Mr. Wood owes me a public apology for mentioning my name at all merely on hearsay and rumor."

## GARDNER MAKES CLAIMS.

Strong circumstantial evidence that an "information leak" had "tipped off" Wall street before the Wilson note to the belligerents was published" was laid before the rules committee today by Representative Gardner, republican, of Massachusetts. Mr. Gardner promised further information from himself and lawyers to influence the committee to order an investigation of the "leak."

"The leak," said Mr. Gardner, "is as plain as water would be dropping from a spring."

Mr. Gardner completely absolved the president, secretary of state and J. P. Tumulty of any connection at all with the fact that the president's intentions were known in Wall street before it was claimed. He cited as "convenient evidence of some sort of leak the fact that a ticker service foreshadowed the note four hours before it was given out in confidence to newspaper men."

Mr. Gardner pointed out the fact it had to pass through dozens of hands in the routine of coding, cabling, re-coding and translating, as does any state department message to a foreign government. That Secretary Lansing and Secretary Tumulty are anxious to testify early next week was stated to the committee by Chairman Henry and Representative Harrison.

Representative Gardner, while on the stand read from a section of a news ticker a short extract timed four hours before the note was given to the press, ten hours before it was made public, which predicted that the note would go, but added "nothing definite is obtainable in administration circles."

## ANNOUNCEMENT

This is to advise that E. R. Guy & Company has succeeded the Lumpkin Insurance & Realty Company. Our new offices are in the Olshaus Building, Decatur, Alabama. With our facilities being greatly increased, we are prepared to give to the public the best service and rates on all lines of insurance in the leading companies.

We write life, fire, tornado, plate glass, accident, liability, burglary, automobile liability, collision, property damage, bonds, surety, fidelity.

In addition to being fully prepared to handle the above lines, we have money to loan on city and country property; also a big list of real estate and rental property to select from. Would be glad to have all interested to call at our new offices and talk over such matters.

Yours truly,  
E. R. GUY & CO.  
Phone 14, Decatur, Ala.

Business or professional cards, printed or engraved. The Daily.

Old Papers for Sale at Daily office.

## River is Rising; Sixteen Foot Crest

The Tennessee river, following recent heavy rains, is rising rapidly and will reach a crest of sixteen feet and five inches at Decatur, according to the prediction of the federal weather bureau at Chattanooga.

The bureau report for today follows:

At Chattanooga—Gauge 20.3; weather clear; precipitation, 10.

At Bridgeport—Gauge 11.3; weather clear; precipitation, 0.2.

At Guntersville—Gauge 14; weather clear; precipitation, 11.

## ENTIRELY WILLING TO WAIT

Cautious Citizen Not Anxious to Die for Country by Crowding Out Younger Men.

"Suppose your country needed you at the front. What would you do?" asked the jingo.

"First of all," answered the cautious citizen, "I would estimate the distance between the place where I happened to be and the front. After that I would put my private affairs in order, take fond leave of my family and join the army."

"Umph! By that time all the real patriots would be in the thick of the fray."

"No doubt. As I'm not particularly anxious to die for my country, if it can be avoided, I should hate to stand in the way of large numbers of young men who vow that nothing would suit them better."

Convincing Proof.

"Are you sure this is a fashionable restaurant?"

"Quite positive."

"I presume you base your conclusion on the service and the class of people who eat here?"

"Partly on that and partly on the fact that the head waiter has one of the finest automobiles in town."

## FAMILY AVOIDS SERIOUS SICKNESS

By Being Constantly Supplied With Theford's Black-Draught.

McDuff, Va.—"I suffered for several years," says Mrs. J. B. Whitaker, of this place, "with sick headache, and stomach trouble."

Ten years ago a friend told me to try Theford's Black-Draught, which I did, and I found it to be the best family medicine for young and old.

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We never have a long spell of sickness in our family, since we commenced using Black-Draught."

Theford's Black-Draught is purely vegetable, and has been found to regulate weak stomachs, aid digestion, relieve indigestion, colic, wind, nausea, headache, sick stomach, and similar symptoms.

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Your druggist sells and recommends Black-Draught. Price only 25c. Get package to-day.

## WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN.

Had we planted paper shell pecan for shade trees when we planted oaks, maples and other trees around our homes we would now be gathering from 50 to 150 bushels of fine large pecans. These increase steadily with the years and we and our children are the beneficiaries. Those starting homes now may well be warned by what has been lost by others. I have a fine lot of nice, healthy, seedling pecan trees, 3 to 5 feet, which I will sell at \$1.00 each, and I will deliver them to you. Now is a fine time to set out pecan trees, but it must not be done in freezing weather. Telephone 341 Albany or see me at 241 Jackson street. R. Crawford. (Adv.)

## Hugh Ballew Will Print Farm Journal Starting Next Week

Hugh Ballew, well known poultryman and agricultural fair man, will issue next week the first copy of a new publication to be known as "Ballew's Farmer." The new farm journal will be issued monthly.

Mr. Ballew is enthusiastic over the new paper and says he has the backing of some of the best known men in the county. The paper will deal with farm problems and is expected to have a large circulation in Alabama and adjoining states.

## Rural Roads in Bad Condition in County

Roads over Morgan county are in bad condition, travelers here today declared. In some sections, automobiles are unable to make any headway and many persons having business in the rural districts are relying on the horse and buggy as in ye olden days.

Many of the roads of Morgan are dirt, and while all right during the dry seasons, become almost impassable during extended rains.

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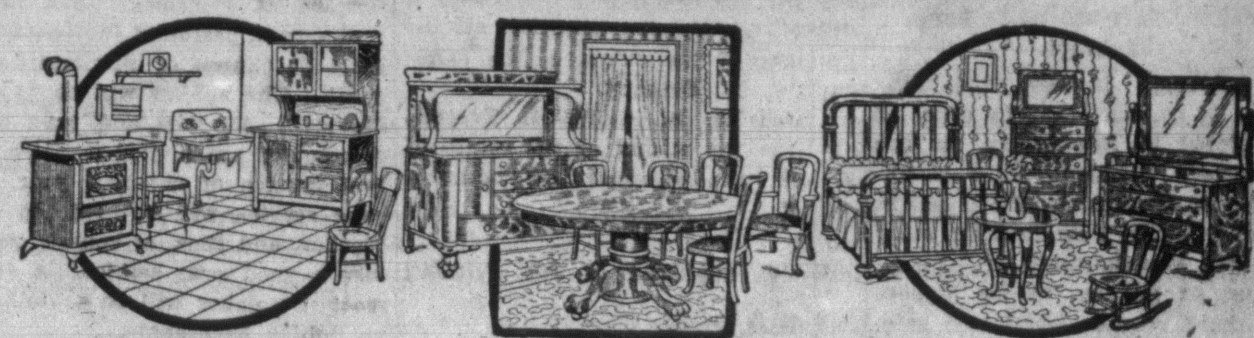
## To My Friends:

I have moved to the corner of Church and Bank Sts., in the building formerly occupied by the Boston Shoe Store, and later by Spielberger.

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### Daily Sport Budget

(International News Service.)  
New York, Jan. 6.—Twenty-four hours after he set foot on Manhattan Island Lester Darcy, the Australian middle-weight, became a target for the "hammer wielders' association."

As soon as the novelty of his arrival had worn off the anvil pounders began raking him over the coals for deserting his native land, dodging military service and playing the part of a "slacker."

They started in on Darcy and combed him up one side and down the other with fiendish delight, and this in the face of his announcement that he intends to enlist after he has had several battles in this country, which will enable him to leave his parents on easy street for the rest of their days.

Critics in and around New York did not take Darcy's word for the fact that his family is "needy," and they laughed at his avowed intention of enlisting in Canada. But Darcy remained stoical through it all, and, if anything, the panning he faced with such stolidism must have been worse than German shrapnel could have been. At least, it took a great amount of courage.

Whether or not Darcy was sincere when he said that he intends to join the Canadian army, the fact remains that he has been picked out from a field of at least five foreign boxers, none of whom are fighting for the cause abroad.

Darcy's "skip out" from Australia was the direct cause of this. But why should he be severely criticized as a "slacker" when Freddie Welsh, Albert Badoud, Tom Cowler and Ted Lewis are keeping away from military duty by sojourning in this land of the free?

Why are the boxers whom we have mentioned permitted to get by without being put on the pan for the same thing that Darcy has been hammered?

Lewis, Welsh and Cowler are all British subjects. Badoud is a Frenchman. If they were living in British or French domains now they would be eligible for service.

We cannot help but wonder whether Welshmen would point at the lightweight champion and murmur "There is the pride of Pontypridd," if Freddie Welsh should go back home. The chances are that Freddie would find but a cool reception. It is true that Welsh came to this country before the outbreak of the war, but had he wanted military service he could have done as many other foreign-born men have done—taken the first boat back and donned a uniform.

Perhaps Darcy has some criticism coming to him for his action in running away from Australia, but if he is to be criticized the others should come in for a share of it, too. What is good for the goose ought to apply to the gander in a case like this.

### Resume Men's Meets at Railroad Y. M. C. A.

The men's meetings at the Y. M. C. A. will be resumed for the balance of the season, beginning tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, when Rev. L. F. Goodwin, pastor of Inglewood Presbyterian church of Birmingham will speak. The subject will be "Another Chance." All men and boys of the community are invited to attend this first service of the new year. The song service will be led by Otto Fischer, and thus, of course, will insure a good song service. A special musical number will be a violin solo by Collier Holesapple.

### CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### WE ARE WORKING FOR THREE HUNDRED.

(Tune:—"When the Roll is Called Up Yonder.")

When the first of June shall dawn within the coming year  
We will march with banners flying to the goal

For we are planning for a bigger and a better Sunday school:  
We are working for Three Hundred on the roll.

#### CHORUS.

We are working for three hundred,  
We are working for three hundred,  
We are working for three hundred,  
We are working for three hundred on the roll.

Rouse, ye leaders of departments,  
With your teachers in command,  
Let no difficulties rise with mournful dole.

Keep your faces to the morning of the joyful day to come,  
While we're working for three hundred on the roll.

#### CHORUS.

Let us keep the step advancing with a purpose strong and true;  
Week by week we're surely gathering the toll.

We will give to God the glory for the blessing we receive,  
While we're working for three hundred on the roll.

#### CHORUS.

There's a share for everybody in our splendid Sunday school,  
In the victory which gladdens every soul.

Every member then, both young and old, should join our jubilee,  
When we have three hundred pupils on the roll.

(Adopted by the South Side Baptist Sunday school December 31, 1916.)

#### WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN.

Rev. E. Lysander Grau, Pastor.  
Sabbath school at 9:30 a. m., D. C. Vohlers, superintendent; graded classes for all.

Public worship at 11 a. m.; subject, "All Things New."  
Public worship at 7:30 p. m.; subject, "New Year Resolutions."

Special music at both these services.  
Junior Christian Endeavor at 2:30 p. m.

Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.; subject, "The Spiritual Supper." This is preparatory to the communion service for next Sabbath morning. It is urged that every member possible will attend this service and receive a blessing.

#### SOUTH SIDE BAPTIST.

L. L. Hearn, Pastor.  
9:45, Sabbath school; W. L. Hatchett, superintendent.

Preaching at 11 a. m. by the pastor, "The Old Year and the New."  
Sunbeam Band at 4 p. m., Mrs. William Motes, leader.

Junior B. Y. P. U. at 5 p. m., Miss Lizzie Smyrl, leader.  
Senior B. Y. P. U. at 6 p. m., Willie Spannible, leader.

Preaching at 7 p. m. by pastor.  
The memorial supper of our Lord will be observed.  
General public welcome.

#### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN, DECATUR.

Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.  
Roll call service at 11 a. m., followed by observance of the Lord's Supper.

Regular evening service, 7:30.  
A cordial invitation is extended to these services.  
W. N. Sholl, Pastor.

#### CENTRAL METHODIST.

J. C. Persinger, Pastor.  
Sunday School at 9:30 a. m.  
Communion service, 11 a. m.; subject of sermon, "A Good Man."

7:30 o'clock, "A Fugitive and What He Found."  
Epworth League, 6:45 p. m., A. G. Patterson, president.

#### NINTH STREET METHODIST.

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.  
Junior League at 6 p. m.

Preaching morning and evening, by the pastor.  
11 a. m. subject, "Some Things That Make a Strong Church."  
7 p. m. service will be evangelistic.  
Everybody invited to worship with us.

#### WEST SIDE PRESBYTERIAN.

Rev. L. F. Goodwyn, of Birmingham, will preach at the West Side Presbyterian church Sunday morning and evening. Rev. Goodwyn has conducted two revivals for this church and will be glad to see his friends present at the Sunday services.

#### CENTRAL BAPTIST.

Livingston T. Mays, pastor.  
Subject at 11 a. m., "A New Year of Opportunities."  
Subject at 7:30 p. m., "The Value of Life."

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m., B. L. Malone, superintendent.

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#### NOTICE.

Bankrupt Sale of Drugs and Druggist Sundries. In re C. W. Bethany, Bankrupt.

On Saturday, January, the 13th, 1917, at 10 o'clock a. m., by order of the Referee in Bankruptcy for the Northeastern Division of the Northern District of Alabama, I will sell in front of Dillehay, Putnam & Co. store on Fourth avenue, south, in Albany, Alabama, at auction, to the highest bidder for cash, one small iron safe,

one small cash register, one ceiling fan and the remnant of a stock of drugs and druggist sundries, all the property of the estate of the bankrupt, C. W. Bethany.

SAMUEL BLACKWELL, Trustee.  
In the matter of the estate of J. 1-4-8 the bankrupt, C. W. Bethany.

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